IDEAS Meeting Minutes: March 9, 2022

Attendance: Kristin Charles-Scaringi, Grace Engelbrecht, Sue Hansen, Nate Heyer, Megan Mullen, Alana Mutum, Jacquie Owens, Jennifer Stone

Alana called the meeting to order at 10:34am

Agenda:

- Working Documents:
  - 2022 IDEAS Check Ins
  - Leadership Manual
  - 2022 Roadmap
- DEI Showcase: Grace
  - National Women’s History Museum
    - Womenshistory.org
    - Explore by topic (Activism, Education, Civil Rights, etc.)
    - Diverse women in past history and modern history
    - Digital Exhibits
  - Virtual Program Suggestions
    - Ganondagan State Historic Site Virtual Tours, highlighting indigenous peoples of Western NY, Iroquois Confederacy or Haudenosaunee
    - Susan B. Anthony House & Museum Virtual Tour
- April Presenter: Sue
- May Presenter: TBD
- Meeting Minutes to Approve: 2/9/22 Meeting
  - Motion was made by Nate to approve the minutes from the February 9th, 2022 meeting. Kristin seconded the motion. All in favor, motion passed.
- President’s Report
  - Council
    - Things going well. AnnaLee Dragon has started her position.
  - Website
    - Minutes are updated and other information as much as possible (Grace and Alana)
- Committee Reports:
  - Continuing Education Committee: Nate
    - Charges for using webinar platform
    - $250 to NYLA, then 50/50
    - Sponsored vs. Subsidized
    - Participation pre council day: $95 full, $65 half
    - *Conference committee: NH will receive packet of all proposal for vision of IDEAS
    - Full report listed at the end of the minutes
Motion made by Kristin to create a temporary 2022 Development Committee to coordinate conference logistics and continuing education. Sue seconded the motion. All in favor, motion passed.

- Committee: Nate (Chair), Alana, Megan, and Kristin
- Intellectual Freedom Committee: Jennifer
  - Creating a form in partnership with NYS Library to report challenges without having to go to ALA
  - Putting together resource list for what to do if material is challenged at your library
- Sustainability Committee: Megan (below)
- Awards Committee: Michelle (below)

Programs:
- Topic Survey Results
  - Top five areas of interest (out of 15) were: Technology Trends and Developments, Intellectual Freedom- Protecting, Promoting and Defending, Collection Development and Management, Leadership Development and Reference (with Management Skills in a close 6th)
  - A majority of respondents close Virtual or Remote as their preferred method of CE training, with traditional webinars being the leading preference of topic format
- Upcoming IDEAS Events
  - IDEAS Forum, Thursday April 28th at 2:30
    - Facilitators Meeting: Wednesday April 27th 10:30am
    - Point of Contact: Nate
  - Readers Advisory Game, Thursday May 19th at 7:00pm
    - Name and Structure In progress
    - Point of Contact: Alana
  - Combating Racism 2 Series
    - Collaboration with ESRT
    - Dates TBD, waiting on ED Feedback and CE Committee Approval
    - IDEAS and ESRT Members will be able to attend for free
- Conference:
  - Pre-Conference CE: IDEAS Has been opted in
  - Conference Luncheon: TBD
    - Do we want to do a Noted Author?
      - Past (2019) Dr. Andrew Jackson, Black Librarians Caucus
      - Virtual is more cost effective and with unknowns of conference format, possibly a safer choice
      - Sue mentioned Dana Spiotta, currently featured through CNY
      - **Result: Voted no, we will not do a conference luncheon in 2022**
  - Conference Sessions
• Marketing: New Logo & Site Revamp
  o Ready for April meeting

• **Elections**
  o 2022-23 cycle, need 2 trustees, as well as reappointment/election of officers
  o Start recruiting form your workplaces or network

• Civil Service Committee Letter
  o Drafted by Michelle and Grace
  o To be discussed at April meeting

**Motion made by Grace to adjourn the meeting at 11:19am, seconded by Nate. All in favor, motion passed.**

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**Sustainability Committee Report**

Megan Mullen

• Committee’s charge and need for a “bottom-line” definition of sustainability for libraries.
• Reminded members to submit conference proposals.
• Need to work with NYLA conference committee to promote sustainable choices to offset carbon footprint from travel—for example:
  • Voluntary carbon offsets
  • Less conference swag
  • Re-usable name tags/lanyards
  • Encourage use of travel mugs/bottles
  • Community solar
• Ways to support NY libraries affected by climate change, storms, and other environmental issues.
• Possible Subcommittees/working groups
  • Advocacy and Awareness
  • Publicity and Outreach
  • Webinars/Educational Content
  • Resources Depository
• Tentatively scheduled the next meeting for the week of April 12 (date/time TBD Doodle poll); will meet on a bi-monthly basis.
• Ways IDEAS can help? By integrating sustainability into the work we do.
NYLA Awards Committee meeting: 03/08/2022
Michelle Isopo
3:44:30

- We discussed coming up with FAQs for the NYLA website to help people learn how to apply for scholarships and awards.
- Ideas on how to publicize the awards. What the sections can do to contribute to the increase of applications.
- We will be putting together an Awards Committee handbook to deal with timelines, when and where to order supplies (plaques, etc.)
  - **Lake Placid Foundation Fellowships. We will be coming up with a plan for distribution and how to insure to replace Dewey Scholarships**

each section has a place on their website to inform members of the scholarships, the requirements and availability etc.

- We will be working on a more uniform application.
- Also coming up with parameters for even or odd years of scholarship distribution to prevent financial burden on each section.
- There will be a request of name change for Lake Placid Fellowship (Dewey Scholarship)
- Requested AnnaLee to find out about setting up an email for all applications to be submitted and also some form of spreadsheet that is more user friendly to maintain throughout the process and next year.
  (each applicant is eligible to be kept in the running for two years) if not selected in the first round.
- We will meet again in April (date to be determined)